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SPEED MADNESS ✓

Photoplay in five reels ✓

Story by Wm. E. Wing ✓

Directed by Bruce Mitchell

Author of the photoplay (under section 62)
Hercules Film Productions, Inc. of U.S.

Washington, D. C.

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OUTLINE OF THE THRILLING SPEED STORY

Ted Bromley, son of rich Theodore Bromley is a speed maniac who devotes his life to hard riding in order to perfect a new type of automobile engine. The father, a hard headed promoter is interested in a big real estate deal which involves foreclosing the mortgage he holds on Pleasant Valley, owned by Mrs. Carey, mother of Alice Carey. Rose Storey, Theodore Bromley's stenographer, who is secretly married to Julien Riccardo, schemes with her husband to fraudulently marry Alice Carey in order to get possession of Pleasant Valley and force Theodore Bromley to pay heavily for the property which is vital to his scheme.

Ted, out for a hair-raising spin along the ridge above Pleasant Valley, runs out of water and gets refilled at the Carey home. His admiration for Alice is immediate and intense.

A few days later, in the city, Ted rescues her from the hands of Riccardo's gang of toughs and ends up by handing the leader a terrific beating.

The situation is so desperate for the Careys however, that Alice consents to the marriage with Riccardo.

Ted, bitterly disappointed, devotes himself to

his work, which promises to be successful and he is offered a large sum for his invention if a speed test proves up. The run is made near the Carey home and is successful until near the finish, when to avoid running over Alice's pet cat, Ted swerves the machine and plunges with it down the precipice. Alice rescues Ted and takes him to her home, where the injured man overhears talk about Alice's forthcoming marriage to Riccardo and his father's part in the affair. He quickly recovers, leaves for home and forces from Riccardo's real wife a confession.

By this time the marriage is about to proceed and Ted begins a wild race through the streets of the city and out into the country in his new speedster. He is followed by the men who want his invention as they believe a competitor is after it. The mortgage coming due, Theodore Bromley is also on the way to the Carey home. The three cars are seen in a sensational run over the most tortuous route imaginable, but Ted outspeeds the lot and arrives in time to save Alice and win her promise of marriage. This accomplished he fights Riccardo to a stand still, signs an agreement with the automobile men, gets a big check and turns it over to his father to pay off the mortgage.

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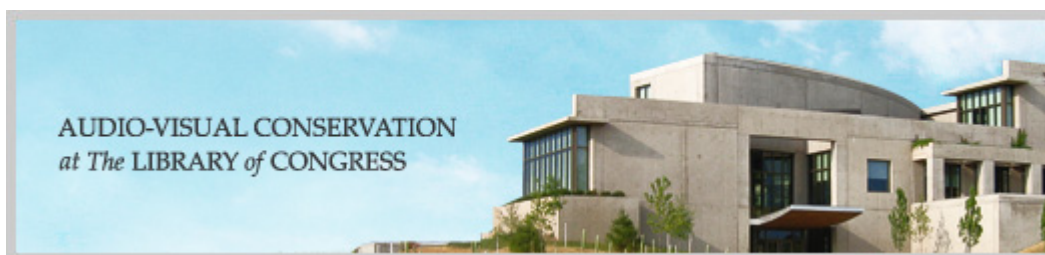
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